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1. I HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS PROPOSED NPW VISIT TO
FIJI WITH BOTH PRIME MINISTER AND SECTY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

2. DURING MEETING WITH FONSEC KOTOBALAVU APRIL 21, HE STATED
GOF DOES NOT RPT NOT REJECT VISIT BUT WISHES TO HAVE CERTAIN
ISSUES (AS STATED IN LETTER CONTAINED REF A) CLARIFIED BEFORE
CLEARANCE GRANTED. STATEMENTS BY KOTOBALAVU INDICATE HE IS
AWARE OF WHAT USG HAS DONE TO ALLAY AUSTRALLIAN AND NEW
ZEALAND CONCERNS. I OFFERED TO HAVE EXPERT IN THIS MATTER
VISIT FIJI TO EXPLAIN PROCEDURES, SAFEGUARDS, AND LIABILITIES
TO WHO EVER GOF WISHES BRIEFED. HE WELCOMED OFFER.

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3. PRIME MINISTER AND I SPENT APRIL 22 TOGETHER VISITING LAUCALA

ISLAND. DURING DAY, I RAISED MATTER WITH HIM AND HE CONFIRMED
WHAT KOTOBALAVU HAD SAID AND ALSO WELCOMED OFFER TO HAVE SOMEONE
VISIT FIJI TO BRIEF GOF.

4. I WILL WISH TO DISCUSS THIS WITH BOTH CINCPAC AND DEPT
DURING MY FORTHCOMING CONSULTATIONS.

5. COMMENT: FIJI HAS SMALL BUT VOCAL GROUP OF PEOPLE, PRIMARILY
CONNECTED WITH UNIVERSITY, WHO OPPOSE ANYTHING WITH NUCLEAR TAG.
THEY ARE WELL AWARE OF WHAT THEIR COUNTER PARTS IN NEW ZEALAND
AND AUSTRALIA ARE DOING WITH REGARD TO NPW VISITS, AND IT IS
IMPORTANT, IF WE WISH TO HAVE NPW VISIT TO FIJI, THAT WE ASSIST
THE GOF AS WE ASSIST THE GOA AND THE GNZ.

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